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Docket No. GC381-US

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

David A. Estell

Serial No.: 09/462,846

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For: Gram-Positive Microorganisms)
with Inactivated Cysteine Protease-1)

Group Art Unit: 1652

Examiner: David Steadman

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION
MAILED JULY 30, 2002

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Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This communication is in response to the Final Office Action mailed July 30, 2002, in the above-identified patent application. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the application in view of the following amendments and remarks. Applicant is submitting this Response within two (2) months of the mailing of the present Office Action in order to provoke an Advisory Action in the present case.

A clean version of the rewritten, added, and/or cancelled claims with instructions for entry pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.121 (c)(1)(i) is included beginning on page 2 of this communication. Rewritten, added, and/or cancelled claims pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.121 (c)(1)(ii) is attached as Appendix I. A clean version

GC381 Response to Final

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